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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of)
EMMANUEL KANTERAKIS)
and)
KOUROSH PARSA)
Serial No. 09/273,450)
Filed: March 22, 1999)
For: COLLISION DETECTION)

Group Art Unit: 2734

Examiner:

Honorable Commissioner of Patents
and Trademarks
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT A

Prior to the initial Office Action, amend the application
as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Add the following claims:

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--5. An improvement to a code-division-multiple-access (CDMA) system employing spread-spectrum modulation, with the CDMA system having a base station (BS) with a BS-spread-spectrum transmitter and a BS-spread-spectrum receiver, and a plurality of remote stations, with each remote station (RS) having an RS-spread-spectrum transmitter and an RS-spread-spectrum receiver, the method comprising the steps of:

transmitting from said BS-spread-spectrum transmitter located at said base station, a broadcast common-synchronization channel having a common chip-sequence signal common to the

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